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March 22nd, 1915.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 18th instant (GFA), receipts Form 1713 (Yellow), issued for bullion received from Treasury offices, are credited in the daily transcript of the Treasurer's general account on the day that the mint value of bullion received is determined after assay and calculation. This is generally several days after the receipt of the bullion itself. In future, if agreeable to you, I will cause these receipts to bear both the date of actual receipt of the bullion and date of determination of its mint value, crediting same on daily transcript as of latter date.

Respectfully,

John D. Smith
Superintendent.

September 28th, 1915.

Treasurer of United States,
Washington, D.C.

Your transfer order to send five thousand dollars ^{in cents} to Saint Louis received. Postmaster here insists that we place a ten cent registry stamp on each package containing ten dollars in cents. This will take five hundred stamps, and like amount of seals, tags and return receipts. Can it be arranged to have the Postmaster accept large registry mail sacks filled with these coin sacks and give one receipt for each large registry sack. This will save a large amount of expense and labor. We have no wagon and would request that the Postmaster send his wagon for these shipments.

Government, Official Business,

Ames
Superintendent.

Denver Colorado September 29th, 1915.

Treasurer United States.
Washington. D.C.

Wired you yesterday and am waiting instructions as to shipment
of cents to Assistant Treasurer at St Louis as per transfer order fifty one
four thirty.

Amundson
Superintendent.

Govt Official Business.

October 6th, 1915.

The Assistant Treasurer, U.S.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 16th ultimo -
this office on September 7th, as per your Certificate
of Deposit No. 33, shipped by Wells Fargo Express to the
Daly Bank & Trust Company of Anaconda, Montana, \$1,000.
in quarter dollars. The express company advises me that
delivery was not made to the bank until September 17th,
and I have been endeavoring before answering your letter
to establish the cause of delay but up to the present
have been unable to obtain a satisfactory explanation from
the express company.

Respectfully,

Acting Superintendent.

November 4th, 1915.

The Assistant Treasurer, U.S.,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo enclosing 80 cents in dimes which you state were found as an "overage" by your counting machine in reviewing a sack of dimes from this institution.

I thank you for this remittance.

Respectfully,

Superintendent.

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November 8th, 1915.

The Assistant Treasurer, U.S.,

Saint Louis, Missouri.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th and thank you for the return of one dime which you report as an overage in a shipment received from this institution.

Respectfully,

Thomas
Superintendent.

Denver, Nov. 18, 1915.

Treasurer, United States,

Washington.

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Amman
Superintendent.

Government -- OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

Denver Colo Nov 19th, 1915.

Treasurer United States.
Washington.

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Vinton. HAKE


Superintendent.

Government official
Business.

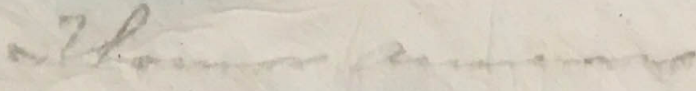
November 22nd, 1915.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 18th instant (DM), stating that the Daily Transcript of the Treasurer's account together with the Daily Statement of the condition of the bullion fund are not being promptly received at your office, I would say that these reports are mailed from this institution daily on the evening of the day of their date. I cannot understand why they do not reach you promptly.

Respectfully,



Superintendent.

November 26th, 1915.

Treasurer, U.S.,

Washington.

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three owls days voltri five seventy five bark.

Official business,
Government rate.

Ames
Superintendent.

November 27th, 1915.

Treasurer United States,
Washington.

PANSY TEN DAYS MARCHET GOT TILE FRILL MILADY HAKE TWENTY SIXTH AB TILE REIS QUARTERS KIT
EXCEPT REF FIFTY TWO FOUR NAUGHT FIVE TORT LOCKS.

Official business,
Government rate.

Alm...
Superintendent.

DECEMBER 17th, 1915.

Treasurer, United States,
Washington.

EXODUS VOLTRI TWO EIGHT THREE EIGHT CONIA QUEAGLES RAT
GOAT MERICAN.

Superintendent.

Official business,
Government rate.

Annear

December 18th, 1915.

The Assistant Treasurer, United States,

Saint Louis, Missouri.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 16th instant, I would say that the "yellow" and "white" receipts, Form 1713, covering shipments of coin from this institution to you, are invariably mailed on the afternoon that coin is shipped.

Respectfully,

Superintendent.

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December 18th, 1915.

ASSISTANT TREASURER, U.S.

SAINT LOUIS, MISSOURI.

PANSY CAGE HALVES ZIP QUARTERS.

Amundson

Superintendent.

Official business,

Government rate.

Collect at Saint Louis.

December 20th, 1915.

TREASURER UNITED STATES,
WASHINGTON.

EXODUS NICKELS ASH BL. AIR CAGE.

Official business,
Government rate.

Amman
Superintendent.

January 20th, 1916.

Assistant Treasurer, U.S.,

Saint Louis, Missouri.

Total tag notations and number of sacks shows twelve thousand dollars nickels and five hundred thirty dollars in cents and two cent pieces, a shortage of one hundred dollars from amount transfer order. Please advise.

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Superintendent.

Official business,
Government rate.

February 9th, 1916.

The Assistant Treasurer, U.S.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 7th instant, the
Treasurer of the United States was advised, as was your office,
that Certificate No. 5, issued by your office, February 2nd, had
been filled only as to the dates, this institution having no
supply of quarters. The certificate itself, as is always done,
was forwarded the Treasurer bearing the notation to this effect.

Respectfully,

Thomas A. Anderson

Superintendent.

February 9th, 1915.

The Treasurer, United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 4th instant (GRA-S), my check book balance for symbol 15044 was correct as reported you under date of November 30th, 1915, in amount \$10,671.91, and amount of checks issued as reported, \$13,907.57.

My check book balance for this symbol reported on October 31st, 1915, as \$9,121.08 should have been \$9,579.48, the discrepancy being due to the fact that the balance as reported this date did not include the item of Contingent expense Independent Treasury, or stamp fund, I not having been advised at the time that this fund would be carried under symbol 15044. Permit me to state the account as it should be from October 1st, 1915.

Check Book Bal. Oct. 1st.	\$ 13,992.51
October 16th, recd. Ordinary Exp. credit,	12,000.00
October 19th, " Cont'g. Exp. Indp. Treasury,	500.00
October 27th, Ordinary Expense, reimbursed by stamp fund,	32.60
	\$ 26,525.11
Checks issued in October,	16,945.63
Check book balance Nov. 1st,	\$ 9,579.48
November 13th, received Ordinary Expense credit,	15,000.00
	\$ 24,579.48
Checks issued in November,	13,907.57
Check book balance November 30th,	
	\$ 10,671.91

Respectfully,

Thomas P. ...
Superintendent.

March 4th, 1916.

The Treasurer of the

United States,

Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 1st instant (GFA-B), no checks of Symbol No. 15046 were issued in January and my check book balance for that account on December 31st and January 31st, was \$89.34 as reported.

Respectfully,

Thos. W. ...
Superintendent.

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March 20th, 1916.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to your inquiry of the 17th instant (DWH), you are advised that in my report of the 13th instant under the head of "Minor Coinage", the item \$67,822.80 is made up of gold and silver coin and currency received from local banks in exchange for minor coin. The currency has since the report in question been exchanged with the banks for gold coin and the item should now read "Gold Coin".

Respectfully,

Thomas Ammend
Superintendent.

April 4th, 1916.

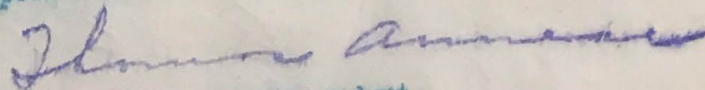
The Assistant Treasurer, United States,

Saint Louis, Missouri.

Sir:-

On April 1st we received a Transfer Order from you to ship the Fidelity Trust Company, Kansas City, Missouri, \$5,000 in Halves, \$4,000 in Quarters and \$2,000 in Dimes. Our supply of Halves and Quarters has all been exhausted since December 15th and we have been unable to fill any order since that time. We shipped the Dimes on the day we received the Transfer Order. We do not expect to coin any Halves or Quarters until after the first of the fiscal year and will therefore be unable to fill any orders for Halves and Quarters until after that time.

Respectfully,



Superintendent.

April 14th, 1916.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to your statement, dated April 11th, of my bullion account for March, Symbol No. A5945, the total of checks outstanding noted thereon is correct in the amount of \$95,871.55, but I think it proper to advise you of a counter error in your listing of checks paid - No. 8807 being listed as \$180.55, while the check read \$190.55 and No. 8817 being listed as \$90.96 while the check read \$80.96.

Respectfully,

Thomas A. ...

Superintendent.

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Ref: to your statement of April 11th, of 1916
for the sum of \$95.27, the sum of \$95.27
May 8th, 1916.
Treasurer of the United States, the sum of \$95.27
Washington.

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Official business,
Government rate.

Superintendent.

Superintendent.

May 8th, 1916.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 5th instant directing me to forward to your office a check for \$20,000 drawn against the Minor Coinage Metal Fund account of this institution, in your favor, said amount to be credited as a transfer of funds to the credit of the same account of the U.S. Mint, Philadelphia, - I have to advise you that my balance in this account Symbol 15047 is but \$1748.53.

Out of this balance it may be necessary to purchase a small amount of zinc and tin for possible bronze cent coinage before the close of the fiscal year.

Respectfully,

Thomas A. ...
Superintendent.

May 22nd, 1916.

Treasurer United States,
Washington.

Harbor nineteenth dot rebel fifty four six fifty two and three and four. Comma
fudge Easter frill jangle nickels.

Thomas A. ...
Superintendent.

Official business,
Government rate.

May 25th, 1916.

The Assistant Treasurer of the U.S.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 23rd instant regarding one half dollar found over in shipment from your office, I regret to advise you that the counter's tag from bag from which this overage occurred has been mislaid and I am therefore unable to return it at this time.

Respectfully,

Thomas Amner

Superintendent.

May 26th, 1916.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Under date of May 24th, Mr. H.L.Schwartz, whose address in Mexico, is Calle Aldama No.9, Chihuahua, requests that payment be stopped on check No.9199 drawn by me to his order on April 18th, 1916, for \$190.17. This check was in payment of a bullion deposit and has been lost in the mail from El Paso to Chihuahua, according to the statement of Mr. Schwartz.

Respectfully,

Superintendent.

May 26th, 1916.

The Assistant Treasurer, U.S.,

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 23rd instant requesting that the tags covering bags from your office in which 80 cents overage was discovered be forwarded you, I regret to state that these tags have been misplaced and cannot be sent you at this time.

Respectfully,

Superintendent.

May 31st, 1916.

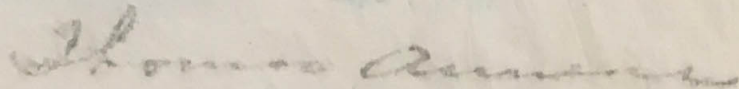
The Treasurer of the United States,

Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to your mail advice dated the 27th instant to the effect that five million dollars, consisting of Transfer Order No. 54713, had been placed to the credit of my disbursing account, I would say that the code telegram of same date noted the amount as one million dollars and it was so entered. Please advise if additional amount (\$4,000,000.) should be taken up or is same in error?

Respectfully,



Superintendent.

June 12th, 1916.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

I am advised by Fred C. Cones of Lamont, Oklahoma, that my official check No. 5491, dated May 23rd, 1916, and in amount \$47.65, in payment of bullion, has not reached him and payment is desired to be stopped.

Respectfully,

Thomas A. ...

Superintendent.

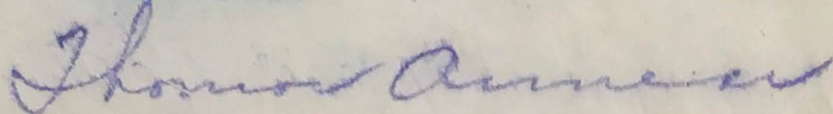
June 16th, 1916.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to my letter of the 12th instant requesting that payment be stopped on check No. 9491, Bullion Fund account, drawn May 23rd, 1916, for \$47.65 to the order of Fred C. Gones - I have to say that said check has been found by Mr. Gones and I will therefore thank you to cancel previous order for "stop payment".

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Thomas A. Ames". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Superintendent.

June 17th, 1916.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to my letter of the 26th ultimo requesting that payment be stopped on check No. 9199, dated April 18th, 1916, and drawn to the order of H.L. Schwartz, in amount \$190.37, I have to say that Mr. Schwartz advises me from El Paso, Texas, that he found the check at Chihuahua, Mexico, and has cashed same.

I would thank you to remove bar to its payment.

Respectfully,

Thomas A. ...
Superintendent.

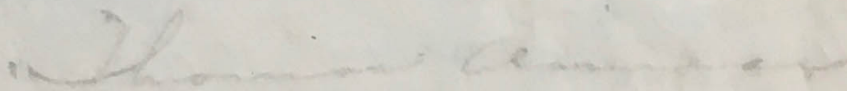
August 12, 1916.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

As requested by your letter of the 9th inst., I return herewith duplicate certificate of deposit No. 16, dated July 10, 1916, for \$54.30, issued to me by the Denver National Bank on account of unused registry stamps.

Respectfully,



Superintendent.

August 29th, 1916.

Treasurer United States..

Washington.

Certificate deposit No Forty two thirty three shipment twenty thousand
dollars quarters Federal Reserve Bank Dallas. Sacks contain five hundred
dollars. Weigh twenty eight pounds each. Have postmaster Denver instructed
to accept these sacks sealed for shipment twenty eight pounds each.

Smiley
Superintendent.

September 27th, 1916.

ASSISTANT TREASURER, U.S.,

SAINT LOUIS, MISSOURI.

HAVE RECEIVED FROM YOU ONE MAIL SACK CONTAINING FOUR SACKS HALF DOLLARS,
TOTAL TWO THOUSAND. LOCK T THIRTYONE FIFTYSIX R THIRTYONE. NO LETTER
ADVICE.

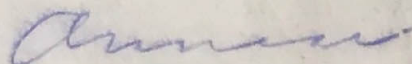
Amred
Superintendent.

Official business.
Government rate, Collect
at Saint Louis.

TREASURER, UNITED STATES,
WASHINGTON/

October 27, 1916

CLAIM TWENTY FIFTH TRY "HIDE" RAT BEDLAM. SIN BUNCH BALANCE REBEL. EAT.



OFFICIAL BUSINESS,
GOVERNMENT.

SUPERINTENDENT.

October 28th, 1916.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to your letters of October 2nd
and 13th purporting to transmit Transfer Orders for
proceeds of Bullion, I have to advise you that the
Transfer Orders were not enclosed. Their numbers
were 55243, 55244 and 55302.

Respectfully,

Superintendent.

Nov. 14th, 1916.

Assistant Treasurer United States,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Please return at once four hundred ninety-six Treasury locks sent you.

Urgently required. Shipments held up.

Ames
Superintendent.

Government Official Business.

November 14th, 1916.

SUBJECT: Circulated quarters and dimes on hand.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 11th instant (DWH)
there are circulated quarters on hand here to the value of
\$700; Dimes, none. These Quarters will be held subject to
your order.

Respectfully,

Thomas L. ...

Superintendent.

January 25th, 1917.

The Assistant Treasurer, U.S.,

Chicago, Illinois.

Sir:-

I have received your letter of January 22nd with the information that coin bag No. 10793 containing half dollars was three pieces short. I am much surprised to have this information as these sacks are very carefully counted and checked before leaving the mint. The weight of the sack as per your letter and tag returned shows the sack to contain 803.10. This is the proper weight and if there were three coins short, the sack would have showed it before you had opened it if you had weighed it. I would suggest that hereafter all sacks be weighed before opening and that the weights marked on our tags be checked to see if they are correct. We know that these weights are correct before they leave this mint. Possibly you may have an error at the other end.

Respectfully,

Thomas A. ...

Superintendent.

January 31st, 1917.

The Assistant Treasurer, U.S.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Sir:-

I have received your letter of the 29th instant regarding the three coins that were missing in our shipment. Under another cover I am sending you three new half dollars to balance this account.

I wish to say regarding this matter that I have one of the most reliable and careful men in the mint to count this money and it is all counted on a standard counting board. This is the first time that we have had a shortage of this kind. I have had the coiner check the count over carefully and have been unable to discover where the error took place. I would suggest that it would be a good plan in the future to weigh our sacks before opening and see if the weights marked thereon are correct. The utmost care is taken here to see that all coin sent out is correct in every way.

Respectfully,

Thomas A. ...

Superintendent.

JUNE 29, 19 17.

TREASURER, UNITED STATES,
WASHINGTON.

WIN CANARD FOR STAMPS BRUIN SHIPMENT TO AURORA TODAY.

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SUPERINTENDENT.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS,
GOVERNMENT RATE.

CHARGE UNITED STATES MINT.

JULY 9TH 1917

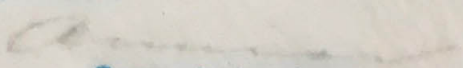
GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL BUSINESSTREASURER UNITED STATES,
WASHINGTON, D.C.PLEASE WIRE CREDIT AND APPROPRIATION INDEPENDENT
TREASURY STAMP FUND TWENTY FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS~~CANNOT BE PAID BY CHECK~~*James*
SUPERINTENDENT/

CHARGE U. S. MINT.

August 13th 1917.

Treasurer United States,
Washington, D.C.

Please wire credit fifty five hundred dollars contingent
expense independent treasury stamp fund.


Superintendent.

Government Official Business.
Charge U.S.Mint

August 14th 1917.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I think it proper to advise you that "test word" numbered on our copy 634 has not been received here, altho the succeeding word numbered 635 identified your telegram of the 13th inst.

Respectfully,

Thomas A. ...
Superintendent.

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August 16th 1917.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 13th inst. DWE, check No. 11934, drawn June 30th, for \$1,166.67, represented the amount of Wastage of Minor Coinage Metal that is reimburseable from the profits on coinage of such metal.

Check No. 11935, drawn June 30th, for \$807.62, represents the unexpended balance of Minor Coinage profits, which has been replaced by you to my credit, under new bond in the Special Deposit account, the date of this replacement on my records appearing July 20th 1917.

Respectfully,

Thomas A. Mendenhall
Superintendent.

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November 9th 1917.

The Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt this day
of 100 "Test Words", beginning with No. 701.

Respectfully,

Thomas A. ...
Superintendent.

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November 26th 1917.

Treasurer United States,
Washington.

Visand ukase one naught two reads Chicago your wire
twentyfirst specified Cleveland so shipped.

Thomas A. ...
Superintendent.

Government official business.
Charge U S Mint.

Treasurer, United States,
Washington.

January 11, 1918.

With approval of Lisbon will accept sallow ape family.

Almon
Superintendent.

Official business, Government.
Charge U.S. Mint.

July 19th 1918.

Treasurer United States,
Washington.

Balmy income check number fourteen three thirteen dated July fifteenth
trade American railway scotch wrath in body reflex.

Almon
Superintendent.

Government official business.
Charge U S Mint.

This is a sample of the work of this ribbon and it does not appear to be an improvement . I do not like the extremely heavy print and I do not believe it will copy well. The type of the machine also seems to be too heavy - it is not sharp as it should be.

This is a sample of the work of a new ribbon from the Frankel Carbon & Ribbon Company. It does not look like it would give a good copy. Please test it.

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Enclosure

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

April 11, 1938

Respectfully,

Very cordially, I am

Very cordially, I am
enclosed the report of the
committee on the subject of
the proposed changes in the
organization of the
Department of the Interior
and the Bureau of Land
Management. The report
contains a detailed
statement of the
present situation and
the proposed changes.
I am sure that you will
find this report of
interest and value.
Very cordially,
Frank E. Shepard

States Minister and Agent Office.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

